

## **H. Res. 214**

### ***In the House of Representatives, U. S.,***

*April 21, 2009.*

Whereas the Commonwealth of Kentucky suffered a devastating ice storm on January 26, 2009, that left more than 700,000 homes and businesses without electricity;

Whereas the ice storm is considered the worst natural disaster in Kentucky history;

Whereas State and local officials acted quickly to coordinate relief efforts and enlisted volunteer agencies, faith-based groups, and community organizations;

Whereas volunteers from 25 organizations in 15 States came to the Commonwealth of Kentucky to provide help and support to those affected by the ice storm;

Whereas volunteers operated 192 shelters for victims of the ice storm, providing 7,884 Kentuckians with shelter, food, and water;

Whereas more than 378,160 meals and snacks were provided to victims of the ice storm by volunteers;

Whereas these volunteers played a key role in Kentucky's recovery efforts and gave their valuable time and resources to offer support;

Whereas 4,600 members of the Kentucky National Guard were activated to assist the citizens of the Commonwealth; and

Whereas the resolve, courage, and determination shown by the citizens of the Commonwealth was commendable: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recognizes the efforts of the countless volunteers who helped the Commonwealth of Kentucky recover from the ice storm of January 2009.

Attest:

*Clerk.*